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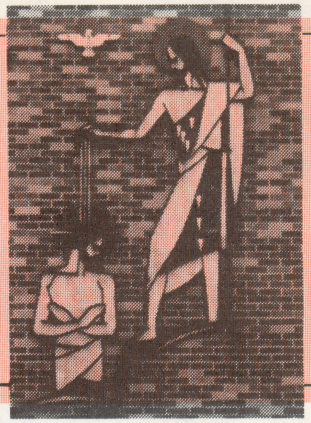


Forty Hours Celebration Begins Today

Following the 12:30 p.m. Mass this Sunday, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on our altar, marking the beginning of our annual Forty Hours celebration. For three days, our community is asked to join special prayer, both privately and publicly, in offering thanks for the many blessings which have come to us as a parish and as individuals, and to remember the spiritual and material needs which we feel.

For those who have not participated in this Eucharistic devotion before, a few words of explanation might be in order.

From the time of the Apostles "when the risen Lord was recognized in the breaking of the bread, until our present day, the celebration of the Eucharist has been the central mystery of Christian faith. Vatican II once again reiterated this truth when it said, "No Christian community, however, can be built up unless it has its basis and center in the celebration of the most Holy Eucharist. Here, (at the Eucharistic celebration) all education in the spirit of community must originate. If this celebration is to be sincere and thorough, it must lead to various works of charity and mutual help, as well as missionary activity and to different forms of Christian witness." It is through the Eucharistic mystery, then, that the "new and eternal" covenant of love is renewed. Any Eucharistic devotion, such as Forty Hours and Benediction flow from and are related to this central action of the Eucharist.

During Forty Hours, a large consecrated Host, the Body of Christ,

is placed in a large vessel called a Monstrance and placed on the altar for public view and adoration. Ordinarily, consecrated Bread not consumed during the Mass, is reserved in the Tabernacle, for distribution to the sick. During Forty Hours celebration, we come before the Blessed Sacrament, conscious of Christ's presence in the Holy Eucharist and spend time in prayer with Him.

This particular Eucharistic devotion has endured for several centuries. The most common explanation for the choice of the 40 is that it signifies the approximate number of hours that our Lord's body lay in the tomb between His death and His resurrection on the third day.

For the past three years, we have celebrated this time of special prayer in connection with our parish's patronal feast day, the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, which occurs this year on Tuesday, June 24.

The following schedule will be observed for the Forty Hours celebration:

Sunday, June 22

12:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, following Mass

1:30 -7:30 p.m. Private prayer and adoration

7:30 p.m. Closing prayer service and Benediction

Monday, June 23 (Mass of the Blessed Sacrament)

7:00 a.m. Mass, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

8:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Private prayer and adoration

7:30 p.m. Closing service and Benediction, with Rev. Mr. Edmond Ertbischoff, Deacon, preaching.

Tuesday, June 22 - Feast of St. John the Baptist

7:00 a.m. Feast day Mass, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon Private prayer and adoration

12:00 Noon Feast day Mass

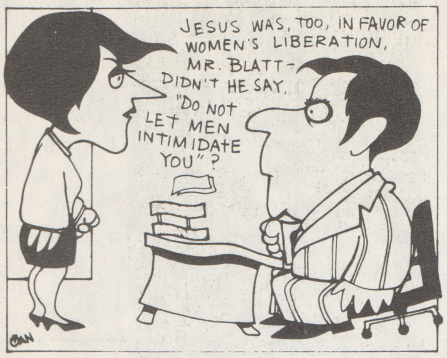
1:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Private prayer and adoration

7:30 p.m. Closing service for Forty Hours, including an outdoor procession with the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction at the Shrine.

9:00 p.m. - ? Parish Dance in Church Hall, with free pretzels and beer. Dancing music to be provided by the STARLIGHTERS.

St. Vincent de Paul

Foods - Donations
At All Masses
Next Weekend



TWELFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR:
June 22, 1975
The Word of God is often misread!
The Word is really Jesus in the flesh
and those who live by his Spirit
setting us free by their love.

Parish Nuptial

(Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ward)

Miss Barbara Jean Hanrahan of this parish and Mr. Melvin Ward exchanged their sacred vows of marriage before Fr. Harvey on Saturday, June 14, 1975, in our church. Also witnessing this solemn pledge were Jack Carr and Susan Kinser of Ypsilanti.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Hanrahan, 122 Miles St. The groom is the son of Mrs. Holbert Ward and the late Mr. Holbert, 766 Clark Rd.

John Hanrahan was acolyte for his sister's wedding; Miss Marie Stachlewitz was organist and Mr. Clem Budinger served as lector.

Congratulations Barb and Melvin!

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Diocese of Lansing and especially the priests and seminarians, I want to express our deep appreciation to you for your kind offering on the occasion of Bishop Zaleski's death.

A concern for the priesthood was his life and his constant interest was in the future of the Church and the work of the priests. His endorsement of the **Joseph H. Albers Trust Fund For Vocations** aided our decision in asking that contributions be made to this fund.

As we live our lives from day to day it is difficult to memorialize the great persons whom we have the privilege of knowing. We live in such a work-a-day world that it requires our constant attention to meet the demands of the hour. As Catholics, however, we have an opportunity of joining together in the mystical body of Christ. It is in this union that all of us remain one and work together to serve our Divine Lord and Master. Your prayers and charity have become an intimate part of the work of the Church and just as our good Bihsop directed the Diocese of Lansing for the past ten years, we know that his prayers will continue to gain graces and help for us as we continue the work that he did among us.

Asking also for your prayers and continued support, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,
James S. Sullivan
Auxiliary Bishop of Lansing

Parish Calendar Of Events

SUNDAY, June 22
- 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. - Babysitting during Masses
- 12:30 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following 12:30 Mass
- 7:30 p.m. Concluding Prayer Service

MONDAY, June 23
- 7:00 a.m. Mass with Exposition following and throughout the day
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts meet
- 7:30 p.m. Closing Service

TUESDAY, June 24
- 7:00 a.m. Mass with Exposition following and throughout the day
- 12:00 Noon Mass
- 7:30 p.m. Closing Service with Outdoor Procession
  Dance in Parish Hall following closing services

WEDNESDAY, June 25
- 7:30 p.m. BINGO, doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Camp Sancta Maria

"Wholesome recreation in a religious atmosphere." This is the motto of Camp Sancta Maria.

Located in the beautiful hills of the northern lower peninsula, seven miles west of Gaylord, Sancta Maria offers a varied program for boys 9 to 17 years old. It includes a full sports program, including baseball, football, soccer, basketball and many others. Boys have the opportunity to become better swimmers and the instructors teach swimming to beginners. There is a corral of 16 horses and all campers receive riding instructions. Each day begins with the Mass and ends with prayer in Chapel. All campers take a day long trip to Mackinac Island and older campers take an overnight canoe trip.

Campers come up for two week periods beginning on Sunday, July 6, July 20, and August 3. Cost is $130 per trip. This includes insurance and medical fees.

Counselors are seminarians from the various dioceses of Michigan. For more information contact Mr. Thomas Bean, Camp Sancta Maria, Box 338, Gaylord, Mich. 49735.

Landscapers at Shrine

(L to R: Steve Williams, Fred Ilgenfritz, Al Scafasci, Randy Hammock, Ben Laurain and Keith Schenher)

Parish Shrine Refurbished

The work of the recently organized Shrine Care Committee is becoming colorfully evident. The Shrine to Our Lady, Queen of Peace, stands on the corner of Hamilton and Cross streets, directly across from the Church. In years past, it was a beautiful little area. But age, careless people, and wandering automobiles have contributed to its decline aesthetically. Last Fall, several parishioners volunteered to restore and refurbish the area. Mr. Keith Schenher was named chairman of the Committee which met and mapped out plans and contributed sweat and muscle power to accomplishing those plans which had been approved by the Administration Commission.

Members of the Committee along with Keith are, Albert Scafasci, Ben Laurain, Leo Hayes, Dorothy Morgan, Bob Manion, Evelyn Rachoza, Viola Westlake, Mr. and Mrs. James Pryce and son, Bob Lemkuhl and Earl Herbert, and Charles Leitshuh. Three members of the Word of God Community also assisted in planting new shrubs and trees, as pictured above.

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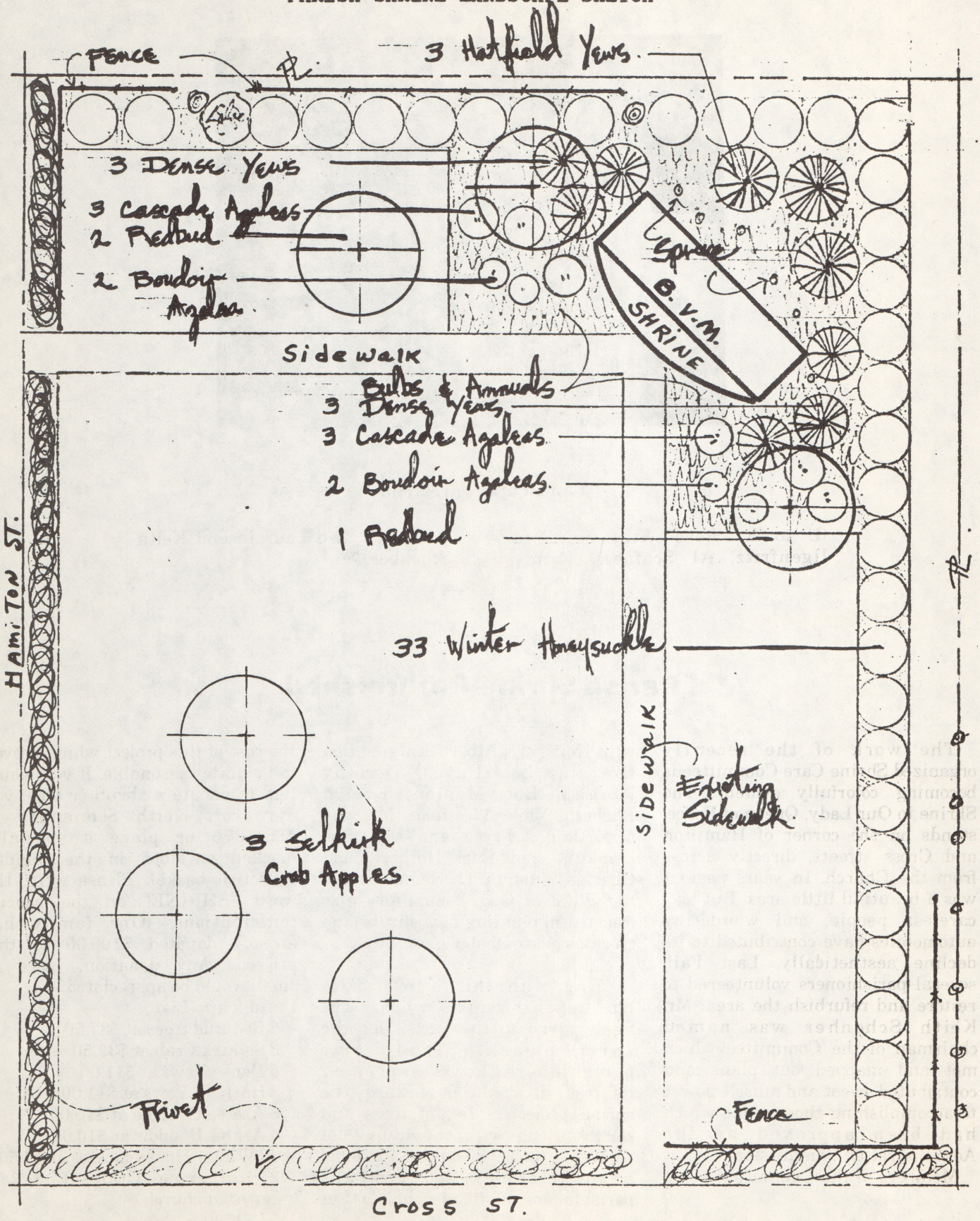
Along with this article, is a landscaper's sketch which was freely given to the parish for the shrine work. Since some parishioners have expressed interest in donating toward the shrine project, a list of trees and shrubs along with the individual wholesale price has been included here in hopes that other parishioners might also help offset the cost of this project which proved to be quite reasonable. If you would like to donate a shrub or tree, you may call Keith Schnenher at 482-1876 or place a specially marked envelope in the Sunday collection basket. Please write the word "SHRINE" on the special contributions. (One family has already donated $100.00 to this project.) Any donation, large or small would be appreciated.

Landscape List

3 Red Bud trees at $37.50
3 Selkirk Crab at $32.50
6 Dense Yews at $11.00
3 Hatfield Yews at $11.00
6 Azalea Cascade at $10.00
4 Azalea Boudoir at $10.00
33 Winter Honeysuckles at $7.50
2 Katherine Crab at $32.50 (planted at church)

PARISH SHRINE LANDSCAPE SKETCH



Mass Schedule

MONDAY, June 23 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Intention of Mary Lee Sharp, req. by her mother
2:30 p.m. Robert Schrepper, req. by Theta Lambda Sigma Alumnae (at Parkview Nursing Home)
TUESDAY, June 24 - Nativity of St. John the Baptist
7:00 a.m. Alfred Walter, req. by Mr. & Mrs. William LaVoie
12:00 Noon Mary Holdridge, req. by Norvald C. Borgerson
WEDNESDAY, June 25 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Mae O'Brien, req. by Marie Seckinger
9:00 a.m. Margaret Benner, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Mickelin
THURSDAY, June 26 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. George H. Williams, req. by The Family
FRIDAY, June 27 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Mary MacDonald, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Wicks
SATURDAY, June 28 - St. Irenaeus, bishop-martyr
9:00 a.m. **No Mass or distribution of Holy Communion**
5:00 p.m. Max Seeger, req. by The Neighbors
6:30 p.m. Nuptial Mass for Darold Loyer and Jacqueline Young
SUNDAY, June 29
7:00 a.m. Mary O'Connor, req. by Kenny Cunningham
9:00 a.m. Edna M. Hutting, req. by Mrs. George J. Max
11:00 a.m. George J. Foerst, req. by Mr. & Mrs. Lester Henry
12:30 p.m. Intention of Parishioners

Altar Boy Schedule

SATURDAY, June 28
5:00 p.m. Mike Presensky and Mike Cicirelli
SUNDAY, June 29
7:00 a.m. Jim Pryce and John Pryce
9:00 a.m. Tom Anhut and Jeff Anhut
11:00 a.m. Joe Slater and Mark Courtois
12:30 p.m. Greg Gillman and Jerry Moses

Lector Schedule

SATURDAY, June 28
5:00 p.m. ..... John Thomas
SUNDAY, June 29
7:00 a.m. ..... Pete Parin
9:00 a.m. ..... Karen Williams
11:00 a.m. ..... Norman Hallman
12:30 p.m. ..... John White

Commentator Schedule

SATURDAY, June 28
5:00 p.m. ..... Nan O'Hara
SUNDAY, June 29
7:00 a.m. ..... Carolyn Maass
9:00 a.m. ..... Dave Wheeler
11:00 a.m. ..... Laura Brancheau
12:30 p.m. ..... Chris White

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SATURDAY, June 28
5:00 p.m. ..... Clem Budinger
SUNDAY, June 29
9:00 a.m. ..... Gene Butman
11:00 a.m. ..... Sr. Ann
12:30 p.m. ..... Ruth Kummer

Usher Schedule

SATURDAY, June 28
5:00 p.m. Barney Hughes, Wayne Jackson, Vance Quigley, Cy Corkin, David Jacques, Vito Calianno
SUNDAY, June 29
7:00 a.m. Ted Weber, Pat O'Hara, Ralph Schmuckal, Dean Cannon, Douglas Nowling, Joseph DeFilippi
9:00 a.m. Ivan Egbert, Leonard Husse, Charles Parsons, Wilfredo DeLosReyes, Steve Meier, Ralph Powell
11:00 a.m. William McCarthy, Joseph Vasher, Harry Holdridge, John Romeli, Matt Conlon, Jim Mooney
12:30 p.m. Frank Foss, Becky L'Amoreaux, Frank Wahla, Earl Herbert, Polly L'Amoreaux, Myron Welch

Babysitting Schedule June 29, 1975

9:00 a.m. Margaret Trapp and Diane Sobell
11:00 a.m. Marianne Gonyo and George Gonyo

Bingo Schedule June 25, 1975

Les Craddick, Owen Koch, Salina Sanford, Kathy Sofia, Joanne Craddick, Mary Koch, Lee Sanford, Jay Wagner, Mary Ann Montie, Bill Gilmore.

Financial Barometer June 15, 1975

Sunday Offering $2,452.00
Hall Renovation 485.00

From the Office Of Communications

A Supreme Court decision which deprives non-public school children of auxiliary services in Pennsylvania will not e effect services to students in Michigan immediately, says the Michigan Catholic Conference. An interesting aspect of the decision is that textbooks can still be provided by the State of Pennsylvania. The Michigan Supreme Court just said that was illegal. It is all rather confusing.

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Dr. Tom Dooley; the physician who was famous in the early 60's because of his work in the jungles of Indochina, may be canonized a saint. At least work on his "cause" has been begun by the Oblate Fathers, a religious community of men. President John Kennedy said it was Dooley's example that gave him the idea for the Peace Corps. (NC WIRE)

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The National Catholic Directory for this year says that there are only 477 more priests in the U.S. than there were in 1965, although the Catholic population has increased by more than 3 million during this time. Total priests in 1975 is 66,909. Total people is 48,701,835. (NC WIRE)

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Diocesan Service Appeal has topped last year. Total, as of June 15, $648,900 or 96% of goal. Last year the final was $641,000 or 94% of goal. The DSA/75 funds over 26 agencies, programs and services of our Diocese.

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Pope Paul addressed the closing session of the Congress of the Charismatic Movement held last week in Rome. He said their efforts to breathe new life into religion are vital. The Pope warned against what he called "possible deviations" especially in the realm of doctrine. (AP WIRE)

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Diocesan Plan to provide sponsorship of Vietnamese refugees has been greeted with enthusiasm. Sponsorship requirements include provision of housing, job opportunity and help in adjusting to American culture. Office of Social and Community Services, Lansing, has details.

UFW Film

"Fighting for Our Lives" is a United Farm Worker film about the farm workers struggle for a decent wage and safe working conditions, and the 1973 grape strike.

In April 1973, the giant California growers and the huge Teamster's Union came together and threatened to destroy all the gains farmworkers had sacrificed and died for, leaving them literally fighting for their lives.

The film will begin at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 24, at Holy Trinity Chapel (corner of Perrin and Forest). Proceeds from the $1.50 admission fee will go to the United Farm Workers and will be used to organize for the upcoming elections.

For more information call Holy Trinity Chapel, 482-1400.

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